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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Please grant a three-month extension of time. With this extension, the deadline for filing the attached amendment will be March 27, 2003. A check in the amount of \$465 to cover the extension fee is enclosed. If our check is missing or in any way insufficient, please charge the deficiency (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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